

Senate Joint Resolution 13 - Introduced

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1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa relating to the right of any resident
3 of Iowa under the age of nineteen to receive a free,
4 competent, and comprehensive public school education.
5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
2 the State of Iowa is proposed:

3 Article I of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended
4 by adding the following new section:

5 Sec. 26. **Free, competent, and comprehensive public**
6 **school education.** The provision of a free, competent, and
7 comprehensive public school education shall be the right of
8 any resident of this state who has not attained the age of
9 nineteen, and a primary obligation of the state of Iowa, to
10 prepare the person for gainful employment, participation in
11 democratic governance, and such postsecondary school education
12 as may be appropriate.

13 Sec. 2. REFERRAL AND PUBLICATION. The foregoing amendment
14 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred to the
15 general assembly to be chosen at the next general election for
16 members of the general assembly, and shall be published as
17 provided by law for three consecutive months previous to the
18 date of that election.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the
23 Constitution of the State of Iowa specifying that the
24 "provision of a free, competent, and comprehensive public
25 school education shall be the right of any resident of this
26 state who has not attained the age of nineteen, and a primary
27 obligation of the state of Iowa, to prepare the person for
28 gainful employment, participation in democratic governance, and
29 such postsecondary school education as may be appropriate".

30 The joint resolution, if adopted, would be published and
31 then referred to the next general assembly (90th) for adoption,
32 before being submitted to the electorate for ratification.